

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q76645

Chia-Chann SHIUE, et al.

Appln. No.: CIP of Serial No. 10/412,303

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For: ASSAY AND KIT FOR HOMOCYSTEINE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following sentence:

This is a Continuation-in-Part of Application No. 10/412,303 filed April 14, 2003.